LIFESTYLE 2BU / C1

10 reasons why you should watch UAAP opening

SATURDAY SPECIAL / E6

How his ma was his rock, and other Michael Jackson stories

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GMA 7 expanding in Europe

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Palace reverses Gonzalez dismissal of drug raps vs shabu lab owner

Palace makes a clean breast of GMA implant

By TJ Burgonio

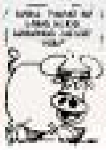
A "BOOB JOB" ON THE PRESIDENT? NO way!

After initially denying President Macapagal-Arroyo had breast implants, Malacañang last night confirmed that she underwent such a medical procedure in the '80s.

The Palace also confirmed that Ms Arroyo had biopsies conducted on lumps found on her breast and groin while on a two-day self-quarantine at the Aslan Hos-

PALACE A11

High court castigates abusive Makati judge



By Norman Bordadora

THIS JUDGE GIVES new meaning to the phrase "contempt of court."

The Supreme Court has fined a retired

HIGH COURT A5

PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER
BALANCED NEWS, FEARLESS VIEWS
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Poll automation is back on track



CHILD IN WANT A child looks out from an evacuation center as fighting escalates in Maguindanao between gov't troops and Moro rebels.

Nonstop prayers for Cory; no visits

PRAYERS, NOT VISITS, ARE what's needed for the healing of "Tita Cory."

This was the message yesterday of Corazon Aquino's spokesperson as the former President continued to battle cancer at the Makati Medical Center under the watchful eye of her doctors and her children.

"I'm sorry because nobody's allowed to visit her, not even us who worked closely with her. All those who want to visit, we're just asking them to please pray. It's really useless for anyone to try and see her," Deedee Siytangco said of the 76-year-old Aquino after the third of nine healing Masses was celebrated at the Sto. Niño de Paz chapel in Greenbelt 3 in Makati City.

On the phone later in the day, Siytangco said the former President's doctors had prescribed "full rest," with visits limited to

NONSTOP A11

King of Pop may be viewed in glass casket

By Ruben V. Nepales
Los Angeles correspondent

LOS ANGELES—A GLASS COFfin for the body of Michael Jackson is being considered by the superstar's family, according to an Inquirer informant.

The source also said that private burial services for the King of Pop would be held Tuesday morning, July 7, at the Forest Lawn Memorial Park and Mortuaries in Hollywood Hills.

That means Jackson will be interred in the hilly private cemetery that overlooks Universal Studios, Walt Disney Studios and Warner Bros. Among the stars buried in the memorial park are John Ritter, David Carradine, Bette Davis, Liberace and Lucille Ball.

The Inquirer informant said that after the burial, the Jackson

KING OF POP A7



STILL 'IMELDIFIC' AT 80 Former First Lady Imelda Marcos celebrates her 80th birthday wearing a gown in "Terno Fuchsia" attended by a thousand at the ballroom of Sofitel, formerly the Philippine Plaza, the hotel she built by the bay in the '70s. It's a night of nonstop singing and food binging with Intramuros buffet tables heavy with the cuisine of six nations spread through several function rooms adjacent to the ballroom. The guests say their last good nights in the wee hours.

Smartmatic, TIM agree to settle their differences

By Kristine L. Alave

AFTER FOUR DAYS THAT GENERATED PLENTY OF POLiticking, the two companies that won the contract to conduct automated elections in 2010 have settled their differences.

Commission on Elections (Comelec) Chair Jose Melo announced the development, saying that Smartmatic International and Total Information Management Corp. (TIM) had agreed on the key provisions in their joint-venture contract.

"Finally, we were able to thresh out everything. Right now, Smartmatic and TIM people are signing the incorporation papers of the joint-venture company," Melo, flanked by the Comelec commissioners, said at a press briefing yesterday afternoon.

Smartmatic and TIM officials refused to explain how they came to an agreement, and Melo and other Comelec officials appeared unaware of the details of the deal. (See story below.)

Melo waved away questions on the arrangement between Smartmatic and TIM, saying a close look at their feud might raise new animosities again.

"Whatever internal arrangement

POLL A4

'Not about money' but partners mum on details

By Marlon Ramos
and Kristine L. Alave

"IT WAS NOT ABOUT MONEY."

Thus was how Total Information Management Corp. (TIM) president Jose Mari Antuñez claimed that financial matters were not the key factor in his company's decision to reconcile with Dutch partner Smartmatic International to run computerized elections in 2010.

But Antuñez refused to disclose details of the discussion.

"I don't want to mention what we discussed. It's already over. Like a couple who had just ironed out their differences, I don't want to go back anymore. It's difficult. Anyway, we were able to fix everything," he said, adding:

"Basta tapos na ang tampuhan (The bad feelings are over). Let's just bury what happened and move forward."

Antuñez, whose purported demand

NOT ABOUT A4

Imelda Marcos: The best and worst life

By Larry Leviste
Contributor

IN TRUE IMELDIFIC FASHION, SHE glided down a red carpet, surrounded by little girls in white dresses carrying bouquets of roses and trailed by tuxedo-wearing violin and flute players who rendered her favorite love song.

In a fuschia, Inabel terno designed by Oliver Tolentino, former First Lady Imelda Marcos celebrated her 80th birthday on Thursday amid glittering confetti and fireworks at the Sofitel Philippine Plaza's Grand Ballroom.

In the midst of the extravagant celebration, Imelda asked family and some 1,000 well-wishers: "Let us all observe a minute of silence and pray for the healing and restoration of the health of former President Cory Aquino."

Every seat in the Grand Ballroom was taken. The guest of honor was lu-

IMELDA MARCOS A4

Imelda's toughest battle is in media

By Francisco S. Tatad

(The author is a former senator and the first Minister of Information of President Ferdinand Marcos' martial rule.)

IMELDA ROMUALDEZ MARCOS IS 80 years old and has lost little of her charm.

COMMENTARY

The political sidelashing she has received since her husband Ferdinand fell from power and died has failed to dent her self-confidence. She still thinks of doing things for the poor as though she had never left her job in human settlements.

IMELDA'S A4

PDI joins 'biggest coverage' of 2010 elections

By Cathy C. Yamsuan

TOP PHILIPPINE COMPANIES, media entities, civic groups and academic institutions yesterday banded themselves into a powerhouse pledging to provide the "biggest and most comprehensive" coverage of the 2010 elections, while helping protect the polls against fraud and ensure the results are delivered fast.

Leaders of the project said the group will field experienced journalists and use state-of-the-art technology as part of a nationwide effort to also urge Filipinos, including the young, to vote wisely.

The group is led by the Philippine Daily Inquirer (PDI), GMA News, Philippine Long Distance Telephone Co. (PLDT) and Smart Telecommunications.

The other partners include In-

PDI JOINS A4



POWERHOUSE The country's top firms, NGOs and academic institutions sign up to partner for the 2010 election coverage during signing rites at the newly built GMA Network Studios in Quezon City. In photo are from left, lawyer Federico Agcaoili, Philippine Bar Association; Wilson Tieng, Solar Entertainment; Fr. Francis Lucas of Catholic Media Network; Marixi Prieto, Inquirer chair; Gilberto Duavit Jr., GMA Network; lawyer Felipe L. Gozon, GMA Network; Manny V. Pangilinan, PLDT/Smart; Isagani Yambot, Inquirer; Napoleon Nazareno, PLDT/Smart and Ambassador Amable Aguiluz, AMA.

Building a closer RP-US partnership

By Albert F. del Rosario
Former Ambassador to the United States

(The following article assesses the relations between the Philippines and the United States and is published today to mark Filipino-American Friendship Day.)

COMMENTARY

DESPITE THE BROADENING OF PHILIPPine ties with the outside world, one bilateral relationship that has remained the most important overall is our partnership with the United States. It is a partnership with implications even to the way Filipino

BUILDING A11

Second FRONT PAGE

Palace not alarmed by flu surge

THE PHILIPPINES' SUDDEN SURGE TO THE TOP RANKS among the countries with the highest cases of the Influenza A (H1N1) virus did not surprise Malacañang, a Palace official said.

Palace reverses Raul in drug case

Enrile joins 'infomercial' list

Prepaid load extension not enough—JPE

PDI columnist wins journalism award

GMA's final Sona a report on infra pledges

Correction

By Christian V. Esguerra

9 provinces tagged election 'hot spots'

Imelda: I've lived the best and worst life



PUTTING OUT A BLAZE



A GIFT FROM DEWI

You're not invited

Society standouts

Forever Blue

Showbiz, fashion, PR

Video presentation

Nonstop singing, eating

No boxes

Marcos gold

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Sequestered

Hard to accept

Personal vendetta?

Imelda sure she'll beat 910 graft raps

FORMER FIRST LADY IMELDA MARCOS, ...

Convictions overturned

High court ...

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Driver didn't know

He was not alone

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PDI joins 'biggest coverage' of 2010 elections; 'best of best'

LA police under scrutiny in Jackson death

King of Pop may be viewed in glass casket

No to Neverland

'This is his creation'

Custody battle

$6.5-M settlement for ex-wife

Dancing with gusto

Crowd-control problem

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Trace the virus

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Possibilities of progress

FOREIGN COMMENT



Seeing like a nation

PUBLIC LIVES

Randy David

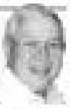
Cheating in UP

GET REAL

Solita Collas-Monsod

Collective intentions are easier to judge

SOCIAL CLIMATE



Mahar Mangahas

Losing connection

YOUNG BLOOD

EFA 2015: The Grand Alliance strategy

COMMENTARY

Napoleon B. Imperial

National statistics

BUSINESS MATTERS



Alberto A. Lim

NOTICE TO YOUNGBLOOD CONTRIBUTORS:

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Politics of payoff

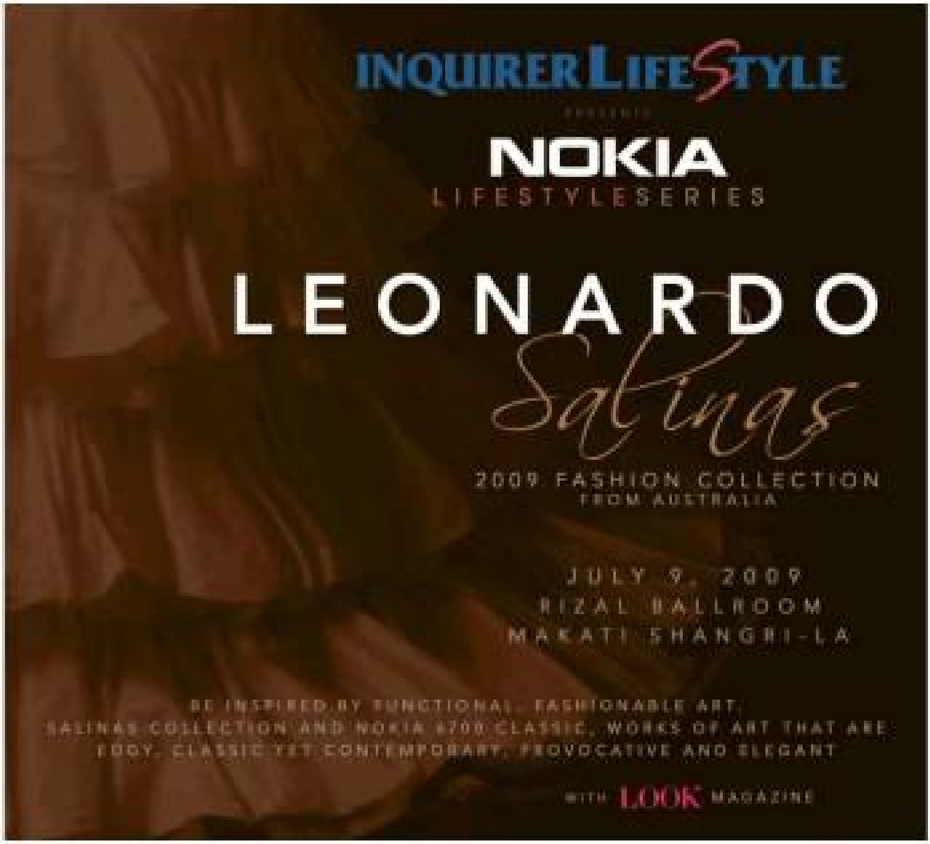
Unlikely witness



Real numbers in Con-ass

LETTERS

Charter amendment leads to 'conquest by money'



Accused tax credit scam brains wants warrant voided



Navy sends 600 more troops, two vessels vs Abus

Elena R. Remigio; 79

The Daily Gospel

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Commentary



Across the NATION

Korean foreman sued for murder try

SUBIC BAY FREEPORT—A FILIPINO WORKER at the shipbuilding company Hanjin has filed a complaint for frustrated murder against a Korean foreman who allegedly attacked him with a metal flashlight in the head and face while at work on June 23.

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DENR exec says too many veggies harm parks, forests

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Respect

[illegible]

Compromise

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CHARGING STATION

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GMA aide says Cordillera projects done by yearend

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Modernization

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Defective

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Police link 2 men nabbed in Tayabas to reb bombings

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Think tank helps Baguio chart more orderly future

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Baguio Cathedral



THE FUTURE [illegible]

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P72M in energy, other projects completed in Negros areas

By Carla P. Gomez
Inquirer Visayas

Japan funds

Model



FAITH AMID WAR

Estrada backs mayor in fight vs GMA son in CamSur town

A(H1N1) EFFECTS

Flu boosts sale, hikes prices of fruits



Don't panic

Complaint

Airport situation

Caticlan sets new takeoff, landing rules



THE EXIT

INQUIRER Visayas

Canigao: Slice of paradise for Leyteños



CHILDREN enjoy the white beach of Canigao, which is likened to Boracay.

Sunrise, sunset

Amenities

Equal opportunity is a myth for the hearing-impaired

By Hazel P. Villa
Iloilo City

COMMENTARY

'Person with disability'

A sense of injustice

The humans among us

The UN and the disabled

> I refuse to let an intolerant society get the better of me

Fighting intolerance

Palace makes a clean breast of GMA implant

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Matter speaks for itself

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Strong but also a woman

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Gynecologist's certification

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Taxpayers paid

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Nonstop prayers for Cory; no visits

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Thanking Ms Marcos

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Strong spirit

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God's blessings

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Grateful memories

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Enrile's prayers

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Mayor Lim hears Mass again

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'Icon of honest governance'

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Building a closer RP-US partnership

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It's not all about money

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Late SPORTS



More Sports stories on A21 to A23

San Miguel rips Ginebra, knots series



Helterbrand, Freeman bag individual trophies

A plus METRO

Editor Abelardo S. Ulanday



PDEA agents hold saturation drive on 'shabu tiangge'

NARCOTICS AGENTS conducted a "saturation drive" at Mapayapa Compound, the site of the "shabu tiangge" in Pasig City, early Friday morning, and searched a house believed to be the den of drug traffickers there.

Under somebody's protection

Cabbie-thief held

POLICE YESTERDAY ARRESTED a taxi driver who ran off with the belongings of a Filipino-American call center manager and recovered all the things of the victim.

Maxene files fraud raps vs aide



Stop high-risk projects within Marikina watershed, gov't told

GMA doesn't care for soldiers

On Target



Ramon Tulfo

NBI arrests convicted fugitive for illegal investment scheme

Allergy forum set July 5

The WORLD

North Korea seen firing more missiles

SEOUL—SOUTH KOREA SAID FRIDAY IT IS closely monitoring North Korean military sites because the communist nation may fire more missiles, amid speculation that a long-range test launch aimed toward the US is possible in coming days.

AFP

Air France plane hit the sea belly first, say probers

AFP

WorldBriefs

UN chief meets Burma junta leader on Suu Kyi

AFP

US jobless rate hits 9.5 percent, damping hopes

NYT

Envoy: Swift end to Honduras standoff unlikely

NYT

US Marines push deeper into Taliban strongholds

AFP

Britain may see 100,000 cases of swine flu daily

AFP



Booklovers take their Best Shot for National Book Store and Philippine Daily Inquirer's photo contest

And the Winners are...

A children's book, popular comics series and a historic account of freedom's champions make up Take a Shot at Reading's Top Three.



First Place: *Carlo Zamora*

[illegible]



"Reading comics/books since childhood – from Marvel comics to our very own Pugad Baboy series – provided me not only pure entertainment but also helped develop my creativity and enhance my artistic skills."

Second Place: *Mark Anthony Estanislao*

A vid readers of all ages and from different walks of life enjoyed sharing their discoveries and experiences about the books that changed their lives, through the unique photo contest launched by **National Book Store** and **Philippine Daily Inquirer** entitled **Take a Shot at Reading**.

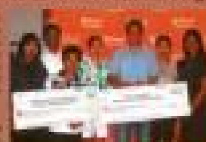
Aimed to promote reading and literacy among Filipinos, the competition invited everyone to send in a creative shot of themselves, posing with their favorite books. These may be in any genre, as long as the chosen piece has touched their lives in one way or another. The photo should be able to convey how it has affected them, giving the contestants free rein to showcase their ingenuity.

Many Filipinos took interest in the competition, with an average of [illegible] entries pouring in each week for the duration of the contest. The entries showed a good mix of different types of literature and photos that truly captured the contestant's personal experience with the book – a sign of the time, thought, and effort given to each entry.

Several outstanding entries were chosen as weekly winners, receiving Php [illegible] worth of National Book Store gift certificates each. And with the competition finally at an end, three finalists have been selected, with the Grand Prize winner getting a whopping Php 10,000 worth of cash and gift certificates.

With so much enthusiasm shown for the contest, one can say this much about Filipinos: we have definitely not given up on reading. While it is true that there are some who have not yet realized the value it adds to one's life, there are countless others whose love for books simply overflows. Take a Shot at Reading has given them the chance to channel this passion into creating something that will encourage others to give books a try.

NBS and PDI award winners of Take a Shot at Reading



[illegible] **Carlo Zamora** [illegible] **Mark Anthony Estanislao** [illegible]

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Third Place: *[illegible]*

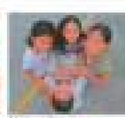
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Read, Shoot and Share

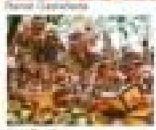
Gallery of Exceptional Entries







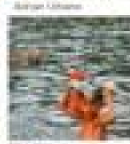




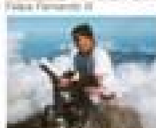














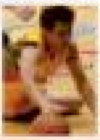
His Story Continues



After winning in the weekly contest, [illegible] went back to the area where his photo was taken and used his prize (National Book Store gift certificates) to buy books and school supplies for the children – who, in turn, showed their gratitude in the most artistic and heartfelt way they can.



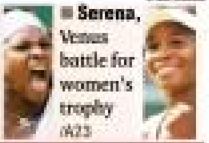
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WHAT'S INSIDE

■ Bombers ruin Altas; Blazers shuffle Cards /A22

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■ Serena, Venus battle for women's trophy /A23

Jiang shows door to RP's Alcala

Superior Indonesians also oust Panganiban-Villanueva tandem



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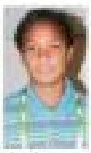


JAPETH

GREAT BROWN HOPE

Japeth proves worth; next stop, PBA draft?

Cimatu first Pinoy AY Games medalist



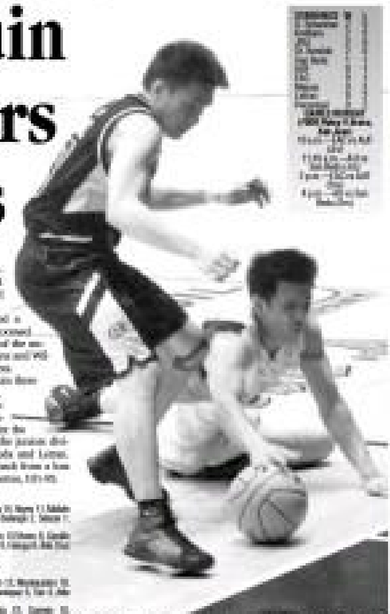
CIMATU



ROMERO

Filipino quintet prohibitive pick in ABL hoops

Bombers ruin Altas; Blazers down Cards



Cimatu puts away first RP gold medal



RP Davis Cuppers up for tough tie

Banayag blazes Milo Marathon comeback trail



RP Volcanoes seek rugby promotion vs Guam side

Fed League: Canlubang golfers sweep Tagaytay

Tax man, others going after 'Money' Mayweather debts?

Shaq wants King to have a ring; LA gets Artest

Williams war at Wimby

Siblings Serena, Venus battle for women's trophy





Armstrong wears Tour's biggest doping target

SPORTSWATCH



UP accountants' fun run July 12

Please untangle this foul puzzle

BARE EYE

Recah Trinidad

KARTING

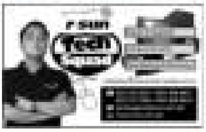
Marcelo posts double KF2 victories




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BUSINESS



S&P affirms RP ratings, stable outlook

But credit agency airs concern over dwindling gov't revenue

CREDIT WATCHER STANDARD & POOR'S RATINGS Services yesterday affirmed its non-investment grade rating for Philippine sovereign issues, while maintaining a "stable" outlook.

With guard up, banks still get to boost lending

BANKS STILL MANAGED TO boost lending, despite the ongoing crisis, although the growth in their loan portfolios slowed down in May as loan officers continued to exercise caution to prevent increases in defaults.

INDICATORS

CURRENCIES



STOCK MARKET

Shares close lower





GMA 7 expanding overseas

Network relies on partners for distribution

Mobile money exchange scheme launched



CDO OPENS NEW BATANGAS PLANT

Thrift bank up for sale

Lodestar, OVMPC sign deal

Focus backs out of Tindalo venture

CICT pushes infra inclusion in stimulus package

S&P affirms...

1st ASEAN-GCC Ministerial Meeting



The imperative calls for a new approach — one that balances creative and scientific outcomes with the ecological, economic, and social impact

Manila takes on the Trend for Green Architecture in Asia



Innovation and Creativity are what we need to face environmental challenges of our generation

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INVITATION TO APPLY FOR ELIGIBILITY AND TO BID

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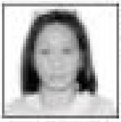
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NOTICE



MARIA ESTRELLITA S. FERRERA

Ms. Maria Estrellita S. Ferrera, whose picture appears at the left, resigned from AGS Four Winds International (Executive International Movers) effective June 15, 2009.

Please call AGS Four Winds at telephone 071-8800 for your records, storage, moving, and other requirements.

This supersedes the ad published yesterday July 3, 2009. Our apologies.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

By Land Bank of the Philippines

This refers to the invitation to bid of the Bank's **various properties** which appears on page A-4 of the Main Section, June 27, 2009 issue of the Philippine Daily Inquirer. Please be informed that the Public Bidding will be held on **July 23, 2009 at 9:30 AM** instead of July 9, 2009 as initially published.

Head Office Committee on Assets Disposal

CIRCLENIAN LENDING CORPORATION

This is to publish that in a special meeting held on March 28, 2009 the Board of Directors, Officers and Stockholders of the Corporation has approved for the dissolution effective March 31, 2009.

INVITATION TO BID

"AS IS WHERE IS"
Damaged Motor Vehicles

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For particulars, please call [illegible]

More Classifieds

OBITUARIES

EDUARDO RODRIGUEZ ANTONIO

December 6, 1942 – July 2, 2009

His loving wife Sylvia Nepomuceno,
children
Dennis & Raquel
Valerie
Dale & Sherryn
Juan Francisco & Joanna.

Brother, Victor Jr.
sisters, Delia (†), Celia (†)
Zenaida and Carmelita.

grandchildren, nephews and nieces
request your prayers for the repose of his soul.

His body lies in state at
the Holy Mary Memorial Chapel,
Brgy. Cutcut, Angeles City.

Interment will be on July 5, 2009 at
the Holy Mary Memorial Park,
after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

OBITUARIES

"Be at rest once more, O my soul, for the Lord has been good to me." – Psalm 116:7

Our dearly beloved Nanay

ADELA MANALILI-SIAT

Peacefully joined her Creator on July 2, 2009 at the age of 87.

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SCIENCE/HEALTH

Editor: Cesar D. Mangawang

Cervical cancer: ladies' malady



By Cesar D. Mangawang

WORLD ATTENTION is now focused on A(H1N1), which has already claimed 332 deaths and posed 77,201 cases around the globe as of July 1. The world, however, should not ignore another virus, human papillomavirus or HPV, which according to World Health Organization's estimate, causes over a quarter of a million deaths and 500,000 new cases of cervical cancer annually.

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Facts and figures

[illegible]

Boosting immune system through VCO

By Charles E. Buban

EVERY DAY WE FACE THE FACT that a harmful virus [illegible]

[illegible]

Saturated fatty acids

[illegible]

Potential benefits

[illegible]

Let Hero tackle the swine flu panic

MEDICAL FILES



Rafael Castillo, M.D.

IT'S SAD THAT MORE THAN THE A(H1N1) pandemic itself, the worse thing that's happening is the [illegible] panic about swine flu.

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More time spent in malls

[illegible]

Hopes to achieve

[illegible]

Hope in uncertainty

DISCOVER



Maxxie Santos Bahoy

NOT KNOWING CAN BE NERVE-wracking.

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Role of imagination

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Another group tested

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Awesome Barkada Wakeboarding Adventure From SM

BSP wants cover for forex losses

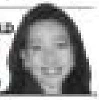
Reserves to come from regulator's income

IPP contracts sale pushed

BSP ready to act to counter downturn

While you were sleeping ...

MindaNaWorld



Special quarters

No special need

More benefits

Concept of 'greenovation'

Text and photo by Charles E. Buban
Contributor

BEING GREEN ISN'T JUST about incorporating windmills or solar panels in your building. It certainly doesn't mean you have to tear the structure down and start all over again.

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Dualtech's few good men

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LKY Group reinvents Legazpi terminal

A GROUP OF YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS from Bicol is modernizing Legazpi City's antiquated bus terminal by transforming it into an integrated transport lifestyle complex with comfort features and leisure facilities for commuters.

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Like a modern airport

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Lifestyle hub

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AN ARTIST'S perspective of portions of The Metro shows a modern terminal with sheltered bays.

Nuvali up for int'l green certification

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Preserving natural site

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Editor Cesar D. Mangawang



Nuvali up for int'l green certification

By Tessa R. Salazar

ORIENTAL MAGPIE Robin, Olive-backed Sunbird, Rhabdornis, White-Throated Kingfisher, Yellow-Vented Bulbul, Blue-Tailed Bee-eater, Black-naped Oriole, Ashy Tailorbird, Coucal.

Reticulated python, Philippine Rat Snake, Flying Lizard, Green Crested Lizard, short-nosed fruit bat, Black rat.

Lanete (large tree), Tabig-uio (small tree), Ir-ir (small tree), Sing-singan, Anagsip (large tree), Himanag (large tree).

This list is just a sampling of some of the animals and plants endemic to the Nuvali area in Laguna. Ayala Land recently conducted a flora and fauna survey, and now they know exactly the first residents of the 1,700-hectare ecopolis project in the South. Nuvali is the property giant's rising metropolis which includes business developments as well as residential projects of Ayala Land Premier, Alveo Land and Avida.

> Ayala Land is making sure it minimizes its impact on the environment

For a development that is 30 times the size of the Makati Central Business District, Ayala Land is making sure it minimizes its impact on the environment while building infrastructure and facilities that are sustainable.

Some developments in Nuvali, for in

NUVALI B2







KIDS GO GREEN. Water management programs found in Nuvali's Treveia were explained through an interactive display that captured the interest of the young ones.



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10 Reasons why you should watch the UAAP opening weekend



By Patrick Leonard Mayo
Contributor

THIS WEEK, 2bU gives you 10 good reasons why you should watch the opening weekend of the University Athletic Association of the Philippines (UAAP) on July 11-12, as they usher in the 72nd season of the country's premier collegiate basketball league.

Opening ceremonies

Much is expected from this year's host school, Far Eastern University as they will be going full-force not only in the games but also in the opening ceremonies.

They will be tapping their homegrown talents from the FEU Dance Club, Bamboo Squad, Chorale, Theater Guild, Drum and Bugle Corps and Pep Squad to deliver a rousing opening presentation.

Rookies

Some of the names to watch out for this season are former Xavier School cagers Jeric Teng of the University of Santo Tomas Growling Tigers, preseason MVP RR Garcia of FEU, and prized rookie Arvie Bringas of the De La Salle Green Archers, who is arguably the most sought-after player coming out of the high school ranks this year.

Leaders

A new batch of leaders will emerge as they take the leadership role for their respective teams.

Dylan Ababou of UST, Michael Loy of the National University Bulldogs, and Paul Lee of University of the East are some of the players expected to become go-to guys this year.

Courtside reporters

Every year, beautiful faces grace the UAAP as courtside reporters representing the member schools. They keep your eyes glued on your TV sets even during timeouts and halfs, and this year will be no exception, of course.

Finals preview?

It may be too early to tell, but with all due respect to the other teams, the Ateneo Blue Eagles and FEU Tamaraws are the early favorites this season.

Despite losing team captain Chris Tiu, the Blue Eagles still has a solid core in veteran guard Jai Reyes, reigning Defensive Player of the Year Nonoy Baclao and MVP Rabeh Al-Hussaini.

The Tams will be led by RP Team members JR Cawaling and Mark Barroca.

Expect a slam-bang affair between these two teams.

Halftime

Halftime performances from the pep squads are always a sight to behold. Scores of ringing chants UP Pep Squad and the synchronized moves of the UST Salinggawi Dance Troupe always keep the crowd on their seats.

Basketball hangover

Whether you are a basketball geek reeling from the NBA Finals fever or just a die-hard fan of the game, UAAP basketball will give you a different kind of hangover. Fast-paced, run-and-gun basketball with age-old rivalries to boot.

School spirit

If you are a freshman and you want to "legitimize" your entry to college life, you better include watching the UAAP games live on your "to-do" list. There is a certain kind of high you get from cheering and supporting your alma mater in the middle of a jam-packed arena. Go! Go! Go!

Celebs in the crowd

Celebrities, even politicians and the Who's Who of society troop to watch the games live, and you just might bump into one of them if you are lucky.

Cheers

Animo! Go fight! Fight! Fight! What better way to flaunt your cheering prowess than to support your team, live! A word of caution, though: You may very well lose your voice after cheering your heart out.



CATCH college basketball's best.



GET that ball!





The Enigmatic Eight

By Adrian H. Dy

AS THE START OF THE UAAP season looms ahead, another cycle of graduation and recruitment has been completed. The big names have moved on, the Chris Tius, the JV Casios, the Jervy Cruzes. It's now time for other, less familiar players to become household names.

These eight players will have to take on bigger roles, and their success as key contributors may decide whether or not their teams book a spot on the Final Four. Watch out (and cheer) for them this season.

Lee Canaday: "The Prodigal Son"



Reil Cervantes: "The Forgotten One"

Far Eastern University Tamaraws



Jonas Mangahas: "The Lost Old Gun"

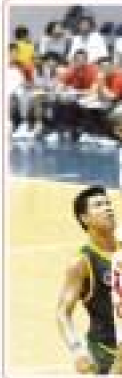


Khasim Mirza: "The Man Without Airs"

University of Santo Tomas Growling Tigers



Jewel Ponferrada: "The ... in the Rough"

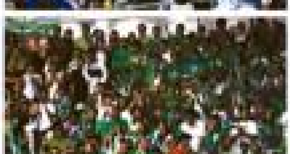


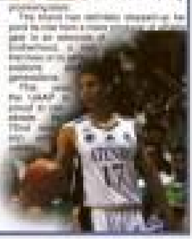
Magi Sison: "The Gentle ..."



Brotherhood in the UAAP







Wear your school spirit





Hannah Montana search

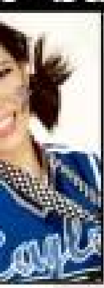


Paul Lee: "The Lone Gun"

Eric Salamat: "The Man of Steel"



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I am no Michael Jackson fan

By Pam Pastor

LAST FRIDAY, LIKE EVERYONE ELSE, I woke up and was greeted with text messages all saying the same thing: Michael Jackson is dead.

I did not pass on the news. One, I figured everyone else already knew. And two, waking people up with morbid news isn't my style.

A few minutes later, my brother checked his mobile phone and asked, still half asleep, "Pam, are you a Michael Jackson fan?"

"No," I replied.

"Oh?" he said, then promptly fell back to sleep.

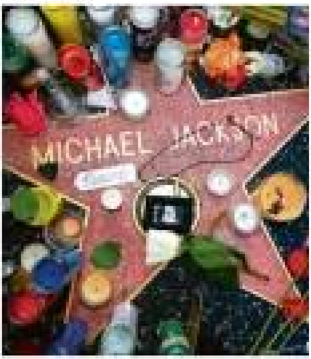
A few minutes later, my mother walked past. "Ms, pray na si Michael Jackson."

"Oh, my God, bakit?" she reacted, as though Michael Jackson were a relative.

All day long, people kept reposting the news and all day long, people kept reacting like my mother. Suddenly, every person I knew was a Michael Jackson fan.

I was the minority.

I was never a Michael Jackson fan, and his death did not change that.



Flashback

I was a kid who grew up in the '80s. But I never felt the need to learn how to moonwalk. I didn't feel any desire to wear gloves. And I will die not knowing the steps to "Thriller."

Still, I couldn't deny that Michael Jackson was a part of my life. I still know the words to "Heal the World"—we had to learn it for school. I did love the song "You Are Not Alone" and because this was before the advent of the Internet. And because song hits were unreliable, I transcribed the lyrics while listening to the cassette tape.

When Michael Jackson came here for his two-night concerts in 1996, I was with my cousins in a condominium across the concert venue, watching the show for free.

Over the years, without really making any conscious effort to, I have witness to Michael Jackson's life—Neverland, Lisa Marie Presley; accusations of child molestation; marriages and divorces; the birth of his children; his dangling his youngest child outside the balcony; his ever-changing appearance; the comeback concerts that never will be.

TV shows, magazines, foreign tabloids, the papparazi and the Internet made sure I knew what was going on in his life.

But that was the thing about Michael Jackson. You didn't have to be a fan to get your dose of him. He was always there, everywhere. His songs are still constantly played, even before his demise. The last five books I've read all contained Michael Jackson references, and I'm betting the next one I will read will include his name, too.

Cosmic, the adorable little girl on "Britain's Got Talent," sang "Ben." Jennifer Garner made a whole party dance to "Thriller" in the movie "13 Going on 30." I saw his wax likeness in Madame Tussauds. I watched a Michael Jackson impersonator on stage in Vegas.

We play "Beat It" on Guitar Hero. My friend's seven-year-old nephew dressed up as Michael Jackson during his recent birthday party. Forget the Jonas Brothers, he's Michael Jackson all the way.

It doesn't matter in which decade you were born, it doesn't matter where you're from, it doesn't matter if you like him or not—you cannot escape Michael Jackson. Truth is, it's not such a bad thing. Because despite the freak show and all the crazy things that have been said about him, the music is good.

Bigger

Michael Jackson was big and his death made him bigger.

While news about autopsies, child custody concerns and his debt spread like wildfire, his albums and DVDs started flying off the shelves again, and he became the No. 1 hit on both eBay and Amazon. On [illegible], his popularity is up by 93,650 percent. And that doesn't sound like an exaggeration.

Google and Twitter reported technical difficulties following a spike in Michael Jackson-related posts and searches. Facebook was swamped with Michael Jackson links and status messages—from expressions of grief and song lyrics to pictures and memorable quotes from him. He was all the Internet could think about.

The sudden resurfacing of so many Michael Jackson fans made me wonder where they were before his death. Did they defend him when he was being accused of child molestation? Were they affected by news of his debts and when he almost lost Neverland? Or, are these people merely jumping onto the grief bandwagon?

This outpouring of love came too late, much too late to save a man who, despite his fame, was painted by many as a sad person—lonely, misunderstood, scared and insecure.

I've heard people declare that fame killed Michael Jackson. That maybe a regular life would have saved him. Maybe, if he never left his hometown and, instead

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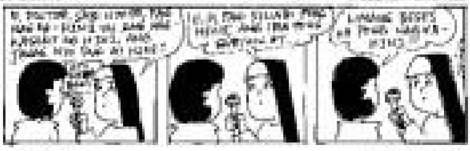


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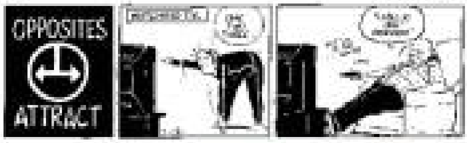
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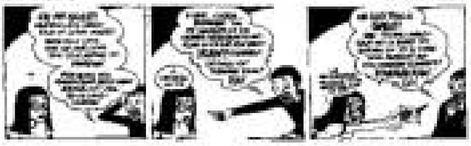






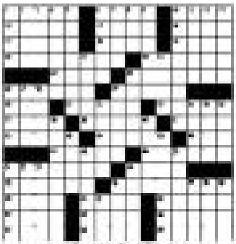


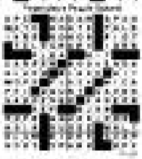
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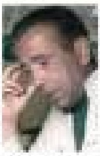


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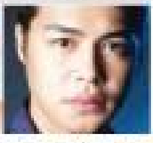
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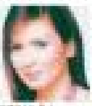
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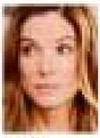
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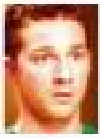
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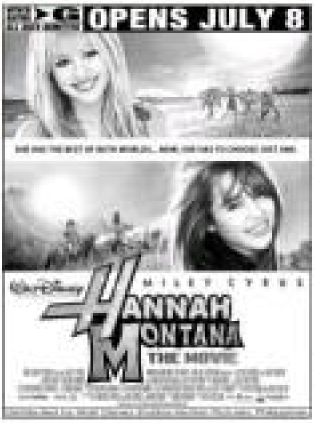
BULLOCK. Successful comeback in "The Proposal."

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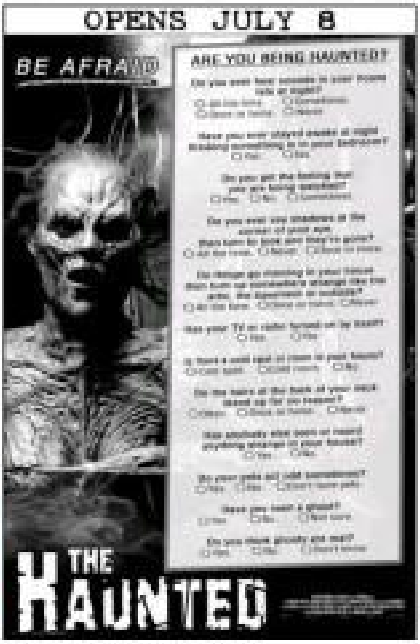
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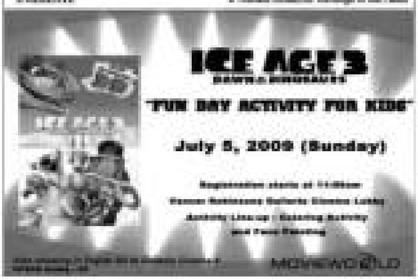
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Indie filmmakers celebrate as Cinemalaya turns 5



SOME of the pioneering festival's alumni.

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Interesting stories about Michael Jackson emerge after his death





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